



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Public Works

Date: November 19, 2013

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Subject: **Layout Approval for Nawadaha Blvd and Minnehaha Ave Reconstruction**

Recommendation:

- A. Approve the attached layout of the Nawadaha Blvd and Minnehaha Ave Reconstruction project.
- B. Authorize staff to negotiate with private property owners to acquire and execute easement agreements for the reconstruction of Nawadaha Blvd and Minnehaha Ave, if necessary.

Previous Directives:

- None

Department Information:

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Approved by: _____

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Financial Impact

- Action is within the Business Plan

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification: In coordination with Hennepin County's Minnehaha Av (CSAH 48) reconstruction project, three public meetings were held to solicit input from the surrounding stakeholders.
- City Goals: A City that Works

Supporting Information

Scope

The proposed project consists of full reconstruction of Minnehaha Av from the limits of the adjacent Hennepin County project near 46th St E to Nawadaha Blvd and also full reconstruction of Nawadaha Blvd from Minnehaha Av to approximately 250 feet west of Minnehaha Av. This includes, at minimum, full removal of the existing street surface, subgrade correction, aggregate base, paving, curb and gutter, signage, drive approaches, and pedestrian curb ramps. Street lighting along Minnehaha Av is also proposed for this project. The proposed project is currently planned for construction in 2015.

Layout

Three public meetings (July 17th, September 30th, and October 2nd, 2013) regarding this project were held to solicit community input and present the ideas and concepts contained in the current preferred layout. The layout will generally utilize the existing road configuration. Minnehaha Av is proposed to have two drive lanes, two buffered bike lanes, and two parking lanes and will match to the proposed layout for the reconstruction of Minnehaha Av North of 46th St E by Hennepin County. Nawadaha Blvd is proposed to have a width of 35 feet and match to the roadway west of the project limit. Curb extensions at intersections are also planned but will be defined in final design.

Easements

Staff is requesting authorization to negotiate with the controlling property owners to acquire permanent and temporary easements for the project to address construction grade issues and infrastructure conflicts identified during detailed design or encountered during construction.

Attachment: Project Map
Nawadaha Blvd and Minnehaha Av Reconstruction Layout

Cc: CM Colvin-Roy – Ward 12
Dennis Morris, Department of Public Works

Nawadaha Blvd and Minnehaha Av Reconstruction Project Map

